(e) if so, the details thereof; and

(f) whether Government consider to review the proposal, if any, in the matter?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYASAGAR RAO): (a) and (b) As per the existing policy, Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) is not allowed in plantation sector excepting for tea where 100% FDI is allowed subject to the following conditions:-

(i) compulsory divestment of 26% equity of the company in favour of an Indian partner/Indian public within a period of 5 years; and

(ii) prior approval of the State Government concerned in case of any future land use change.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) No, Sir.

(e) and (f) Do not arise.

Treating EOUs at par with SEZs

1518. SHRI MURLI DEORA: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether Export Oriented Units are on decline as compared to the Special Economic Zones;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor;

(c) the incentives available to the SEZs over Export Oriented Units and how they compare with exports, investment and employment generation during the last three years, year-wise;

(d) whether Government propose to treat Export Oriented Units at par with SEZs on key issues like service tax and financing facilities; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY (SHRI SATYABRATA MOOKHERJEE): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) to (e) Scheme of Export Oriented Units (EOUs) and Special Economic Zones (SEZs) are two separate schemes of the Government to promote exports. They have different incentives.

Exports made by EOUs & Units of SEZs for the last three years are as under:

(Rs. in crores)

Year	EOUs	SEZs
2000-2001	15912	8552
2001-2002	19645	9190
2002-2003	22613	10057

Investment made & Employment generated in EOUs & SEZs as on 31-03-2002 are as under:

	EOUs	SEZs
Employment	172106	89277
Investment (Rs. in crores)	15097	2289

Allocations for Focus Programmes

1519. SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD: Will the Minister of COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether amount allocated under the Focus Programmes like Focus Africa and Focus CIS for 2003-04 has been utilized;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the amount utilized during the last year under the Focus Programmes; and